

Monthly Gas Utility Statistical Report



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Residential sales increased 1.4 percent in September of 1982 compared to last year. Commercial sales decreased 3.3 percent and industrial sales decreased 18.8 percent. The forecast for 1982 total sales is down 3.7 percent from 1981 total sales.

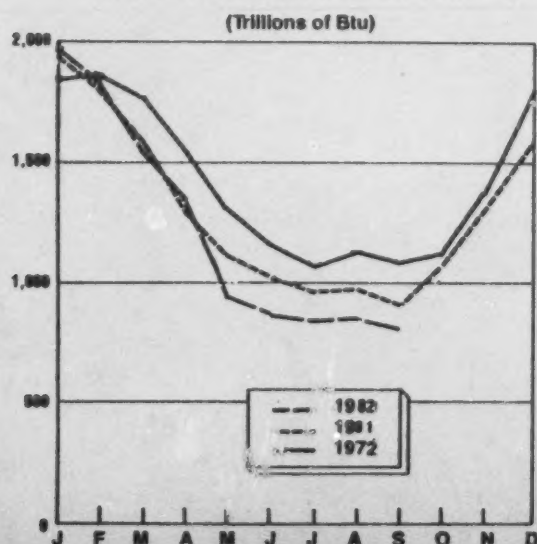
GAS SALES TO ULTIMATE CONSUMERS (Trillions of Btu)

	September			Year to date		January 1 to December 31		
	1982	1981	% Change ²	1982*	% Change From Last Period	1982 Forecast ¹	1981	% Change
Residential	141.2	139.2	+ 1.4	3,578.1	+ 6.5	4,830.8	4,600.6	+ 5.0
Commercial	97.4	100.7	- 3.3	1,807.6	+ 5.1	2,439.8	2,360.4	+ 3.4
Industrial	530.2	652.9	- 18.8	5,373.8	- 14.2	7,328.9	8,220.1	-10.8
Other	9.2	9.9	-	160.0	-	212.4	198.8	-
Total	778.0	902.7	- 13.8	10,919.5	- 5.0	14,811.9	15,379.9	- 3.7

Gas sales are based on a sample of 69 companies whose sales constitute about 65 percent of the total gas sales to ultimate consumers.

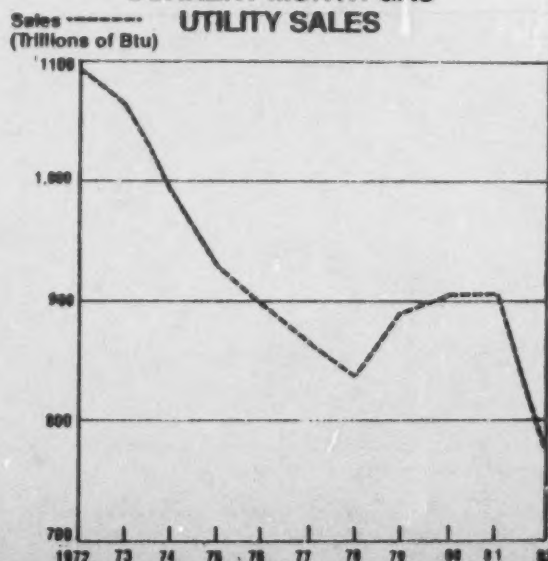
*The year to date sales have been adjusted to reflect 1981 Gas Facts.

MONTHLY GAS UTILITY SALES



The peak year in sales for the Gas Utility industry occurred in 1972.

CURRENT MONTH GAS UTILITY SALES



RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCE SHIPMENTS (Thousands of Units)

September

	1982	1981	% Change '81 vs '82
Domestic Range			
Gas	132.6	136.5 ^R	- 2.9
Electric	168.1	176.8 ^R	- 4.9
Clothes Dryers			
Gas	55.0	64.6	- 14.9
Electric	190.1	228.6	- 16.8
Warm Air Furnaces			
Gas	125.6	124.8	+ 0.6
Electric	17.5	17.3	+ 1.2
Oil	16.3	11.9	+ 37.0
Boilers			
Gas	21.1	20.2	+ 4.5
Electric	0.1	0.2	- 43.4
Oil	10.1	9.6	+ 5.2

^R Revised

Sources: Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association (GAMA)

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

September

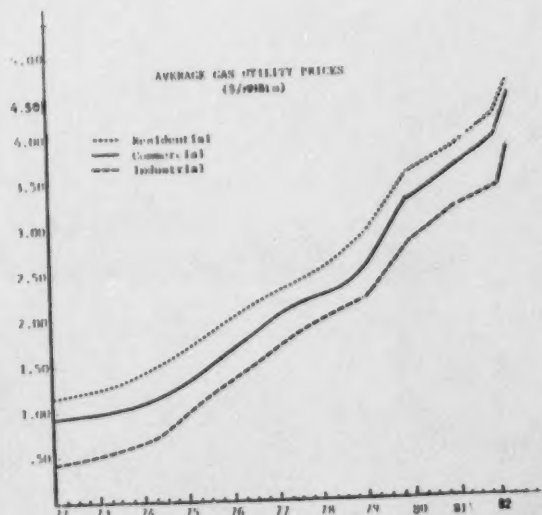
	1982	1981	% Change '81 vs '82
Total Actual Private Housing Starts (Thous. of units)	104.5	84.1	+ 24.3
Consumer Price Index (All urban, unadjusted, 1967 = 100)			
Gas (utility pipe gas)	517.6	431.7	+ 19.9
Electricity	332.5	309.9	+ 7.3
Fuel Oil	685.9	705.7	- 2.8
Index Total Gas Sales (1967 = 100)	93.8	108.8	- 13.8

Sources: Department of Commerce, Bureau of Labor Statistics, A.G.A.

AVERAGE ANNUAL GAS UTILITY PRICES (\$/MMBtu)

Year	Total	Res.	Comm.	Ind.	Oth.
1973	0.79	1.25	0.95	0.50	0.44
1974	0.95	1.42	1.11	0.66	0.60
1975	1.29	1.69	1.38	0.99	0.94
1976	1.60	1.98	1.68	1.32	1.15
1977	1.97	2.33	2.07	1.70	1.45
1978	2.18	2.53	2.28	1.91	1.50
1979	2.52	2.92	2.66	2.24	1.67
1980	3.13	3.61	3.34	2.81	2.25
1981	3.66	4.18	3.91	3.32	3.25
1982 ^P					
1st Qtr.	4.29	4.58	4.44	3.88	3.50

^P preliminary



¹ 1982 forecasts for the residential and commercial sectors are based on available 1982 monthly data. The remaining months are derived by using a four year average.

The industrial sector forecast is also based on available 1982 monthly data. The remaining months of 1982 are heavily weighted by last years sales with no adjustment made for degree days.

² The percent change is a function of the 69 sample companies.